Employment Generation Through Organised Sector

2548. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the organized sector is delivering more jobs and employment opportunities compared to the growth in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons thereof; and

(d) the details of jobs delivered and employment generated through organized sector for the last three years, State-wise, category wise and year wise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Rightsizing of the workforce in the Government sector and economy not growing at the desired rate are among the major reasons for the declining employment opportunities in the organized sector over the last few years.

(d) State-wise and year wise details of the employment in the organized sector as on 31st March, 2001,2002 and 2003 are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Employment in Organized Sector as on 31st March

(in thousands)

Sl. No.	State	2001	2002	2003
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2075.2	2050.7	2100.8
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	—	—
3.	Assam	1116.4	1063.9	1079.2
4.	Bihar	1613.0	1613.0	1613.0

SI. No.	State	2001	2002	2003
5.	Chattisgarh	348.1	354.3	354.3
6.	Delhi	841.1	836.0	836.5
7.	Goa	110.2	60.8	60.8
8.	Gujarat	1696.0	1584.0	1630.9
9.	Haryana	652.7	665.5	655.5
10.	Himachal Pradesh	304.5	297.2	297.2
11.	Jammu and Kashmir	210.1	210.1	210.1
12.	Jharkhand	@	@	@
13.	Karnataka	1879.7	1855.9	1850.0
14.	Kerala	1241.7	1220.9	1211.4
15.	Madhya Pradesh	1179.1	1141.6	1109.7
16.	Maharashtra	3694.6	3634.6	3593.2
17.	Manipur	83.0	82.8	82.8
18.	Meghalaya	81.9	81.9	81.9
19.	Mizoram	41.5	41.5	41.5
20.	Nagaland	77.7	77.3	70.6
21.	Orissa	828.8	777.7	750.2
22.	Punjab	847.2	836.2	800.0
23.	Rajasthan	1248.3	1205.8	1179.9
24.	Sikkim*			
25.	Tamilnadu	2505.8	2516.4	2402.2
26.	Tripura	123.3	123.3	123.3
27.	Uttranchal	270.4	265.3	262.3
28.	Uttar Pradesh	2223.8	2173.6	2143.8

SI. No.	State	2001	2002	2003
29.	West Bengal	2324.7	2263.9	2263.9
30.	Andaman &Nicobar Island	38.1	40.0	39.6
31.	Chandigarh	91.3	90.8	90.4
32.	Dadra & Nagar Hevali	—	—	—
33.	Daman &Diu	15.0	14.5	14.5
34.	Lakshadweep			
35.	Pondicherry	25.8	25.8	51.0
	Grand Total	27789.2	27205.5	27000.3

* No Employment exchange is functioning in this State.

@ The figures for Jharkhand were included in Bihar.

New Provident Fund Norms

2549. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

* (a) whether it is a fact that Government are appointing a consulting firm to advice on Provident Fund reforms; and

(b) if so, by when the process of finalizing new Provident Fund norms would be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, the Central Board of Trustees, Employees' Provident Fund has decided to engage a consultant namely M/s Mercer Human Resources Consulting for one time study on various aspects relating to investment management of EPFO funds.

Labour Law Reforms

2550. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whetehr it is a fact that Government are bringing Labour Law Reforms by amending the Industrial Disputes Act and the Factories Act; and

(b) if so, by when it would be implemented?